

paid him 20 per cent. of all the money he collected in Richmond. He would have carried out his contract satisfactorily. At Mrs. Bass's house the question of the debt hanging over the church was discussed and it was agreed that the money realized from the concert should be applied to the liquidation of that debt. The pastor had frequently expressed a burning desire to pay off the twelve hundred dollar debt in one year and may have done so at this conference. Mrs. Bass, when it was agreed that the proceeds from the Burton Lyceum concert were to be applied to the debt. The witness said the circular Burton had printed, saw and read the language that the entertainment was for the benefit of the poor. In answer to questions by Mr. Vile, the witness admitted that had as much as a thousand dollars been realized on the concert the whole amount would have gone to liquidate the church debt, and not to help the poor. In answer to a further question, witness after hesitating said he knew the circular was not correct, but did not authorize the printing or circulation. Did not circulate it himself, although Burton sent him a large number for that purpose.

#### Mr. Camp Testifies.

Mr. W. C. Camp, of the American National Bank, was the next witness. Mrs. A. C. Burton and the two "necers" called on him the same day they did on Mr. Sands. It was some time between the 12th and 15th of December. Saw Mr. Hill, the cashier, hand Mrs. Burton some money. Then she went to the witness, told him he gave her \$3 last year, and Mr. Hill and Mr. Sands had just given liberally for our church, and wanted witness to do likewise. Witness denied that he had ever given \$3, but said if \$1 would do her any good "there it was," and laid the bill on the little shelf at his window. Then he turned to wait on customers. When he returned to the window the women had taken the dollar and gone, leaving on the shelf a ticket and the circular. He threw both under the counter.

W. A. Chesterman, the next witness, was called on by the women and in the usual way, he was touched up for \$5. Gave his check. After Mrs. Burton got his check, she threw five concert tickets on his desk and then went out, remarking as she did so: "We won't call on you again soon," to which witness feelingly replied: "I hope not." Witness did not use the tickets.

#### Check for "Mrs. Burton."

Mr. H. P. Powell gave his check for \$5, made payable to Mrs. A. C. Burton, "for the Dorcas Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church." After the check was taken the woman handed witness five concert tickets. Witness later had payment of check stopped.

Police Officer H. Ames was the last witness. He arrested Burton and the women on the morning of December 18th on the charge of being suspicious characters. He searched the party and found on Burton the fourth memorandum book and many papers, also drafts amounting to \$50 and \$10 in money. The book had fifty-one names in it of people who had contributed. The first name was that of A. C. Burton and \$5 was marked opposite his name. The amounts opposite the names of the fifty-one contributors footed up \$55; found very little money on the person. No charge of petit larceny had been made when witness searched the whole "Lyceum"; they were only charged with being suspicious characters. Witness received his instructions by phone to go to the Langley and arrest the party.

This was the last witness called, and at 11:05 the Commonwealth rested its case.

Rests Its Case.

When Judge Witt again took his seat, Mr. Pollock, for the defense, arose and said:

"May it please Your Honor, the Commonwealth admits that A. C. Burton, Mrs. A. C. Burton, Miss Grace Hamerly and Miss Geraldine Edwards, tried for petit larceny in the Police Court on December 19, 1905, at which trial the three last-named were acquitted, and A. C. Burton was adjudged guilty. Are the same parties referred to in the evidence taken here; that being admitted, the defense rests its case, and will introduce no witnesses."

It was known that the defense had summoned eight or ten witnesses, most of whom were on hand, expecting to be sworn and put on the stand, and, therefore, such a tame turn in this heretofore sensational trial was not only a surprise, but a real disappointment to the packed audience. Counsel asked for reasonable time in which to prepare and submit instructions. The court gave them until 11 o'clock and adjourned the jury to 11 o'clock Monday morning. The

#### "Berry's for Clothes."



When you've thought it over—come here for your overcoat. If you have not thought it over, come over anyway, and our overcoat will help you think. The new prices will help you buy, too. Overcoats that have been selling up to \$18.00—NOW \$9.75. Overcoats that have been selling up to \$20.00—AT \$12.75. Overcoats with the elegance \$30.00 buy at Berry's—\$17.75 now. Overcoats that sold up to \$40.00—\$22.75.

Hats, Shoes, Shirts—savings in each department.



Court then, at 12 o'clock, took a recess for one hour.

Promptly at one o'clock Judge Witt again ascended the bench. Counsel ask for five minutes more in which to hand in the instructions they would ask for, saying the stenographer was driving his typewriter like mad. In five minutes the papers were handed to the judge. Mr. Folkes asked for only one instruction, and, judging from the appearance of the small sheet of paper it was written upon, it is short and to the point. Counsel for defense wanted more. They asked for eleven in all, and they covered about six typewritten sheets of foolscap. Judge Witt read the documents over and then, putting the legal cap on his head, he said: "On Monday I will probably admit all of these instructions except No. 6. I want to hear argument on that." The court then admonished the lawyers not to let the newspapers have copies of the instructions he had in his pocket, and the newspaper men, who had already, as they thought, made arrangements to get them, looked sheepish.

Instruction No. 6, asked for by defense, concerned a combination of legal phraseology, was simply this, and nothing more: that Burton having been tried jointly with Mrs. Burton and Miss Hamerly and Edwards, and having been charged with forming a combination to swindle and obtain money by misrepresentation, and the three women having been adjudged innocent, Burton was also innocent. All are guilty or all are innocent. Some having already been adjudged innocent Burton must necessarily be so declared.

The argument was very brief, Messrs. Pollock and Wise making short speeches, and Mr. Folkes a still shorter one. The contention of the defense was that the offense was conspiracy to defraud and that of the Commonwealth that it was petit larceny. Judge Witt refused instructions No. 6, saying: "It is good law as far as it goes, but it does not reach this case. The Commonwealth had the right to try the accused on the conspiracy charge or on the charge of petit larceny. He elected to try on the latter. It is not the specific offense, or its case falls, and that's all there is in it." Counsel noted an exception to the ruling, and then moved that all the evidence of all transactions other than that pertaining to the Commonwealth's transaction be excluded. The motion was overruled, and another exception was noted. The court then adjourned until tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock, and A. Chadwick Burton was remanded to jail to spend Sunday.

#### BAY SHORE SENSATION.

Attachments for Bondholders to Get Standing in Court.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NORFOLK, VA., January 20.—The sensation in the Bay Shore Railway case to-day was the issue of attachments for the bondholders. They are the banks and bankers who hold the \$200,000 of bonds on the rail, of which the road was put into the possession of the Federal Court and the receivers. The attachments were made on the application of J. Edward Cole, attorney, who has sued Charles H. Burr, of Philadelphia, for \$20,000 for damages for a breach of contract. Mr. Cole made negotiations for the sale of the property, but the deal was interrupted and he sued for commissions. The attachments are based on the assumption that the banks and the bankers have the bonds in which Charles H. Burr and his associate or client, William E. Fritz, of Philadelphia, have an interest. Mr. Cole wishes his money and he has attached the property of the owners on the statement that they mean to leave the city without settling with him. Meantime the bonds have been sold conditionally, on the attitude and the rulings of Judge E. Waldill, of the Federal Court, as to the priority of the debts of the road. The principal debt is \$200,000, in receiver's certificates authorized by the court which will not be due till March. It is the idea of the bondholders to get some standing in the court for their bonds, which are valued at thirty-three per cent., or \$66,000, and thus to depress the \$200,000 certificates so as to buy them. The property has been finished, and is profitable now, and the value is estimated at \$350,000 and \$400,000. It is a rival trolley in the city, and to Ocean View for the Norfolk Railway and Light Company, once managed by the Williams syndicate of Richmond. There is a lively contest for the possession of the property dependent on the rulings of Judge Waldill.

#### Move Plant to Roanoke.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., January 20.—The Casper Company will remove its whiskey rectifying plant to Roanoke, Va. In about two months, an officer of that corporation says the company has purchased fourteen acres in Roanoke, where it will establish a five-barrel distillery and a large bottling plant.

#### "Berry's for Clothes."



The "innards" of dress after all is what spruces up a man. If your suit is "shabby," no matter how long your overcoat is, there's one man you can't hide it from—yourself; and that's most important to you.

Get a new suit. \$9.75 will buy suits worth up to \$15.00 last month. \$12.75 will buy suits that sold up to \$20.00. \$17.75 will land the best grades now that were up to \$30.00.

Boys' Suits, Overcoats and Reefers—one-third to one-half off the prices!



Berry Watches

for last week go to MASTER PAYSON BRUCE, 408 1-2 N. Eighth Street, and MASTER ARCHIE HARRIS, 100 S. Second Street.

Two watches given our boy customers each week. Don't fail to see that your name goes in the box when making purchases.



#### NEW CHANNEL FOR THE APPOMATTOX

Work Going Right Ahead on the Diversion Scheme With a Bed Dredge.

CUT OVER MILE LONG MADE

New Double-Track Railroad Bridge Across the New Channel.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PETERSBURG, VA., January 20.—Work on the dredging of the cut to divert the channel of the Appomattox River is going right ahead, and Captain E. Winslow, the United States engineer in charge of this district, has recently inspected the present place of work and expressed himself as much pleased with its progress. The dredge is now working below Collier's dam, a short distance from town, and having completed one cut about eighty feet wide and a mile and a quarter long, is commencing on another parallel to it. It is believed that the thorough dredging will greatly improve the health of that section of Chesterfield county by removing malarial marshes.

#### DOUBLE TRACK BRIDGE.

A double track railroad bridge, three hundred feet long, will be built across the new channel in Pocahontas for the Atlantic Coast Line tracks, and it is understood that the railroad company is now prepared to deed all of the property necessary to the diversion scheme, including, of course, the right of way under the tracks through Pocahontas, where the new bridge is to be built, work on which will begin as soon as the government acquires the required land.

#### LOOKIN' FOR COOKE FAMILY.

James J. Maguire, of the San Francisco law firm of Maguire, Lindsay and Wyckoff, has written to the city engineer's office asking for information about the family of Captain W. S. Cooke, who died suddenly in San Francisco, January 23 last, among his papers being found a letter from J. S. Cooke, with the heading: "Office of Superintendent of Water Works, Petersburg, Va.," and dated February 22, 1905, at which time J. S. Cooke was superintendent of water works here, but afterwards moved to Washington, and it is understood, is now dead. Mr. Maguire's letter states that a receipt for a safe deposit box, which probably contains a will and other valuable papers, was also found among Captain Cooke's belongings. The lawyer is anxious to communicate with some member of the Cooke family.

#### FOUND THE BRING.

Oliver Liversay, the young man from Blanford, recently arrested on the charge of stealing a diamond ring, while working at the residence of Mr. L. Reinhardt, several weeks ago, did not make any confession, but said that he found the ring, and had no intention of stealing it. An excellent treatise on one of the forms of tuberculosis is read by Dr. Joseph D. Osborne at the regular monthly meeting of the Petersburg Medical Faculty last evening. After the meeting the faculty was entertained by Dr. Osborne at a supper at the Chesterfield Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Colin Nea, will celebrate the fortieth anniversary of their wedding at their home on Byrne Street next Wednesday evening.

#### RICHMOND'S GOOD OR BAD HEALTH

Special Health Investigation Committee Gets Down to Business in Good Shape.

#### CHAIRMAN'S STRONG ADDRESS

But One Natural Cause for Death, and That is Old Age.

Dr. E. G. Williams, chairman of the special joint-committee appointed to investigate and report upon the health conditions of Richmond and which will hereafter be known as the Health Investigation Committee, called a meeting for 8 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Those present were Dr. Williams and Messrs. Morton, Lynch and Grundy. Mr. Blair was unavoidably prevented from attending.

In calling the meeting to order, Dr. Williams made a short address, outlining the duties of the committee and the responsibility resting upon the members.

The doctor spoke substantially as follows:

"In the investigation that is before us I hope we will all fully appreciate the responsibility that rests upon us. 'The three principles of government—personal liberty, personal property and the pursuit of happiness—are largely dependent upon the public health. There is no more sacred trust in the hands of the government. There is nothing that should command more earnest attention of the public servants than the department to promote health and prevent the ravages of disease.'

"The government is vigilant, strenuous and untiring in its efforts to protect the people against foreign foes; it should be equally so in its efforts to protect the people against the invasions and attacks of disease.

"Disease saps the vitals of the community, seriously interferes with industry and commerce, brings poverty to many homes, in addition to the pain and anguish it leaves in its path.

"The only natural cause of death is old age. All other causes of sickness and death are the results, directly or indirectly, of environment and bring about death prematurely. The greatest advances ever made in medicine have been made in the last thirty years, in finding out the nature and causes of disease and thereby their prevention.

#### Service of Prevention.

"The means and methods to prevent those diseases which are responsible for a large majority of deaths have been discovered. The people have not yet awakened to a realization of this fact. Even members of the medical profession itself are not all aware of it.

"It is our duty as members of this committee to find out whether everything is being done by our Health Department that can be done in the way of averting the causes of disease and protecting the people against its consequences. 'It is our duty to find out whether there are conditions in our city that need to be corrected, whether the ordinances that now exist are sufficient, and are enforced, and carry out the purposes for which they were created, and also if it be necessary, then to recommend such new ordinances as will place our department on a plane of efficiency equal to any in the country.'

#### Examine the Records.

Chairman Williams, of the special committee to investigate health conditions, will get his co-workers together this week and at least organize for work. The joint resolution of Council creating this committee was read and ordered spread upon the minutes.

On motion of Mr. Lynch, the secretary of the Board of Health was instructed to furnish the committee with a copy of the annual report of the Health Department for the year 1905 as soon as possible.

On motion of Mr. Morton, the chairman, and Mr. Lynch were named as a sub-committee to examine the records of the Statistical Department of the Board of Health and report their findings back to the full committee as soon as possible.

On motion of Mr. Morton, the Finance Committee was directed to provide a fund of \$250 to be used, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for the expenses of this committee.

#### A LOVING CUP.

Presented to Dr. I. A. Clark On His 89th Birthday.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LYNCHBURG, VA., January 20.—Dr. I. A. Clark, for many years a resident of Lynchburg, who celebrated the eighty-ninth anniversary of his birth to-day, was presented with a handsome silver loving cup about noon by the Lynchburg Academy of Medicine. The cup was presented by Dr. C. E. Bussey, to which Dr. Clark responded.

Dr. Rowley W. Martin also made a short talk. Dr. Clark is remarkably preserved for his years, and he is seen on the streets daily.

#### Sights Schooner Bottom Up.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 20.—Steamer Toleby (British), from New Castle, reported.

No date, in latitude 27 north, longitude 86.36 west, passed a large schooner, bottom up, steering about ten feet above water, and supposed to be a 600 tons; is in track of vessels bound to and from New Orleans, and a very dangerous obstruction to navigation.

#### Roses all the Year Round!

Bloom in cheeks once white and sunken, now plump and firm, owing to the use of

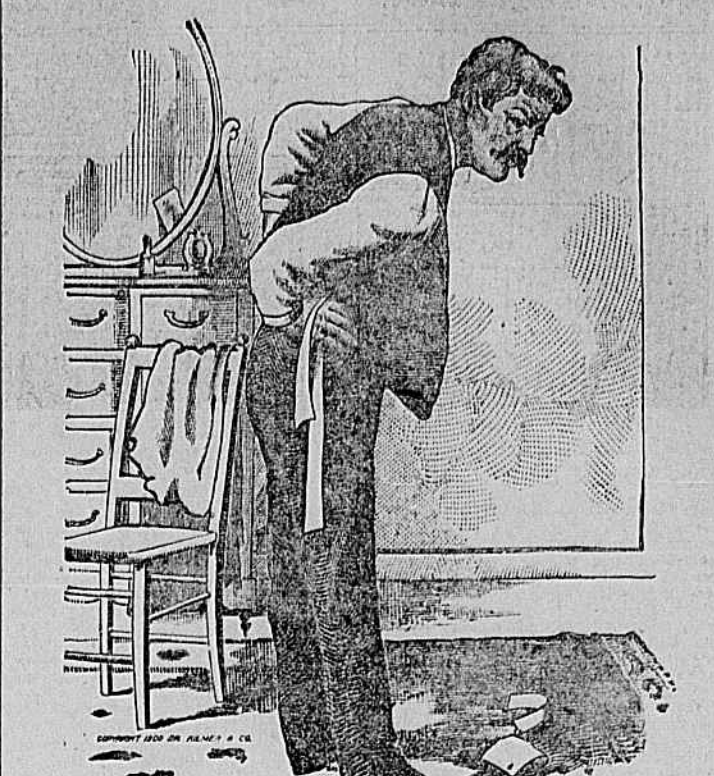


The Cod Liver Oil Emulsion "For Bachelors."

Flesh-builder and Blood-maker. A true FOOD, not a nerve deadener, nor a mocking stimulant. For consumptive and dyspeptic; for all who are thin, pallid, weak and bloodless. Strengthens your grip on life by taking OZOMULSION at once. Every tissue in your body will feel the benefit. At all druggists.

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Have You Rheumatism, Kidney, Liver or Bladder Trouble?

To Prove what Swamp-Root, the Great Kidney, Liver and Bladder Remedy, will do for YOU, all our Readers May Have a Sample Bottle Sent Free by Mail.

Pain or dull ache in the back is unmistakable evidence of kidney trouble. It is Nature's timely warning to show you that the track of health is not clear.

If these danger signals are unheeded, more serious results are sure to follow; Bright's disease, which is the worst form of kidney trouble, may steal upon you.

The mild and the extraordinary effect of the world-famous kidney and bladder remedy, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. A trial will convince anyone—and you may have a sample bottle free, by mail.

Gentlemen—I attribute my present good health to Swamp-Root. I suffered many years with kidney trouble and had an almost constant pain in my back. My great remedy, Swamp-Root, cured my trouble, and I have since been perfectly well.

Yours truly, B. H. Chalker, Ex. Chief of Police, Ozark, Ala.

Lame back is only one symptom of kidney trouble—one of many. Other symptoms showing that you need Swamp-Root are, being obliged to pass water often during the day and to get up many times during the night, inability to hold your urine, smarting or irritation in passing, brick-dust or sediment in the urine, catarrh of the bladder, uric acid, constant headache, dizziness, poor digestion, sleeplessness, nervousness, irregular heart-beating, rheumatism, blotting, irritability, worn-out feeling, lack of ambition, loss of flesh, sallow complexion.

If your water when allowed to remain undisturbed in a glass or bottle for twenty-four hours, forms a sediment or settling, or has a cloudy appearance, it is evidence that your kidneys and bladder need immediate attention.

In taking Swamp-Root you afford natural help to Nature, for Swamp-Root is the most perfect healer and gentle aid to the kidneys that is known to medical science.

In order to prove the wonderful merits of Swamp-Root you may have a sample bottle and a book of valuable information, both sent absolutely free by mail. The book contains many of the thousands upon thousands of testimonial letters received from men and women cured. The value and success of Swamp-Root is so well known that our readers are advised to send for a sample bottle. In sending your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., be sure to say you read this generous offer in the Richmond Sunday Times-Dispatch. The genuineness of this offer is guaranteed.

If you are already convinced that Swamp-Root is what you need, you can purchase the regular fifty-cent and one-dollar size bottles at drug stores everywhere. Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

#### SENATOR DAVIS WILL BUILD NEW RAILROAD

His Ambition to See His Section Connected With Chesapeake.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) HARRISONBURG, VA., January 20.—The sole ambition of Senator Henry G. Davis, of West Virginia, is to build a new railroad through the Allegheny Mountains which will penetrate the Valley of Virginia and give an outlet to the Atlantic coast. This is the substance of the belief of a leading citizen of Elkins, W. Va., who is credited with being on intimate terms with the venerable West Virginian. Since the Coal and Coke Railroad has been opened from Charleston, W. Va., to Elkins, the Davis-Elkins syndicate are looking toward an extension of this road through Pendleton county, W. Va., in order that the resources of the mountainous region may be placed within easy reach of the seaboard.

Senator Davis and his associates have recently purchased thousands of acres of valuable timber and mineral lands in Pendleton county, and they also hold options on land in the vicinity of the route surveyed by West Virginia Central engineers several years ago, when that road was controlled by Davis and Elkins.

The plan is to tunnel the Shenandoah Mountain, after bringing the road through the heart of the Pendleton county mountain lands. The objective point is Staunton, Va. To reach this it is proposed to follow the old West Virginia Central survey to Harrisonburg, and then secure rights over the Valley Railroad of Virginia, which connects with the Chesapeake and Ohio at Staunton, affording a direct outlet to the seaports.

The real interests are expected to become interested in the project, after the Davis-Elkins people amply financial aid.

#### Early Morning Marriage.

STAUNTON, VA., January 20.—Miss Alma May Brown, daughter of D. H. Brown, aged nineteen, and Henry C. Lovegrave, twenty-two, both from Stuart's Draft, arrived here this morning about 3 o'clock, and in company with Justice Hunter, father of the bride, and a notary public, obtained a marriage license from Deputy Clerk John McCrosby, and were married about 4 A. M. by Rev. A. M. Frazer, of the First Presbyterian Church. The bride is very handsome.

#### Gave Musical Recital.

Miss Viola Diacon's music class gave their first recital of the season in her studio yesterday afternoon from 3 to 5. Those who entertained their class, rendering marked credit to themselves and their teacher, were Grace Hill, Elsie McDowell, Alma Francis, Tillis Pickle, Marie Chestnut, Laura Mills, Gladys McDowell, Edna Perce, Mary Gazy, Margaret Anderson, Nannie Mullin, Ruth McDowell and William Pickle.

Selections from Chopin, Schumann, Mendelssohn and Chaminade were rendered. After the recital, light refreshment was served.

#### WRECKING TUG OFF FOR FLORIDA

A Long Pier to Be Built at Willoughby Bay for the Jamestown Exposition

#### FIRE AT ELECTRIC METER

A Portsmouth Merchant Has to Pay a Double Bill to Electric Company.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, VA., January 20.—The Merritt wrecking tug rescued cleared for Key West, Fla., and went out the capes this morning. She will assist in towing to New York the steamer John Wilson, which went ashore at Porto Cordero, Honduras, recently and was subsequently salvaged by the wrecking steamer Premier, of the Merritt fleet, which is stationed at Kingston, Jamaica. The steamer I. J. Merritt, from New York, which will stand water on this station until the Rescue returns, came in the Chesapeake to-day.

Plans have been made for a long pier into Willoughby Bay for the Jamestown Exposition. It will be used at first for the landing of materials sent to the grounds for buildings and afterward it will be refitted and lengthened for the use of passengers.

C. M. Sturges, of Portsmouth, a merchant, dissatisfied with the bill sent to him by the electric lighting company and doubting the accuracy of the metre fired at it with his shotgun and demolished it. The electric company required him to pay the bill and \$15 in addition for the destruction of the metre.

#### BY LOCAL STATESMEN.

Work Mapped Out for Members of the Council.

The work mapped out for the city fathers for the present week will keep a number of them quite busy, but they will not get together as strenuous life as they did last week.

Monday the Committee on Cemeteries will hold a meeting beginning at 7:45 o'clock, and at 8 o'clock the Finance Committee will hold a special meeting to hear the bankers on the subject of the equitable distribution of the city's bank deposits.

Tuesday the Board of Aldermen will hold a special meeting at 8 o'clock to consider the tax assessment ordinance recently passed by the council and to elect a successor to Alderman Zimmerman for Madison Ward.

At the same hour the Electricity Committee will meet and the Committee on Printing and Claims will hold forth if it can succeed in getting a quorum which it is, however, able to do for several meetings past.

No other meetings are now scheduled until Friday night when the St. John's Cemetery Committee will meet merely to pass upon the pay-roll. It may be, however, that a number of special meetings, especially of sub-committees, will be called during the week.

#### PECULIAR AFFECTION.

Peanut King Undergoes Operation at St. Vincent's.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NORFOLK, VA., January 20.—P. B. Hunkley, Peanut King of Smitfield and Norfolk, submitted to an operation on his arm Thursday for a peculiar affection of the small bones of his wrist. The affection was so serious and stubborn that several operations had been performed, but without relief. There was apprehension that his arm would be involved and that he might lose it or the use of it.

The operation was performed at the St. Vincent's Hospital, with Dr. Kennon as the operator. Mr. Hunkley will remain at the hospital till the expected relief from the operation shall have been confirmed.

#### PROVIDES \$150,000 FOR PORTSMOUTH POSTOFFICE

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., January 20.—Representative Maynard introduced a bill to-day appropriating \$150,000 for the erection of a Federal building at Portsmouth.

#### The Fredericksburg Fair.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

FREDERICKSBURG, VA., January 20.—The stockholders of the Fredericksburg Horse Show Association met here yesterday afternoon to elect the following officers: C. H. Hunkley, president; Judge A. W. Wallace, M. G. Willis, General D. D. Wheeler, W. H. Hunkley, S. S. Bradford, John M. Griffin, Isaac Hirsch, A. P. Rowe, Alex. Pratt and A. B. Botts, vice-presidents; C. O'Connor Goodrich, secretary; and C. H. Hunkley, J. C. Rowlett, C. B. Howard, St. George R. Fitzhugh, Captain Dan M. Lee, R. W. Daniels, W. E. Embrey, G. T. Boulware, E. J. Smith, J. H. Beverley, S. W. Somerville, W. J. Butner.

Mr. Clarence R. Howard, who was secretary last year, declined re-election. The fair will hold a horse show the coming season.

#### New Ferry Line.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, VA., January 20.—A new ferry line between Portsmouth and Norfolk is proposed. Options have been secured on both sides of the Elizabeth river. The Norfolk side is the water front at the yards of Batchelor & Collins; the Portsmouth side, adjacent to the Portsmouth side, adjacent to the Portsmouth side.

An offer of \$50,000 for the Guthrie property in Portsmouth has been tendered. The Portsmouth authorities have had no redressment some such project for months, but nothing definite has resulted.

#### For a New City Charter.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, VA., January 20.—The revised city charter of Norfolk, which includes many important changes in the fundamental law of the city, will be considered next week and presented to the City Council at once for its consideration, before it is sent to the General Assembly at Richmond. Some of the proposed changes in the new charter will cause a contest on the new charter when it comes upon the Legislature.

#### Piles Quickly Cured at Home

Instant Relief, Permanent Cure—Trial Package Mailed Free to All in Plain Wrapper.

Piles is a fearful disease, but easy to cure if you so at right.

An operation with the knife is dangerous, humiliating and rarely a permanent success.

